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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Deputy Director for Science
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SUBJECT: US/USSR Space Agreement Recommendations

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1. We see no objection in principle to the subject agreement but doubt that the USSR will comply fully with the most important stipulations in paragraphs 1, 2 and 4 of the agreement.

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2. The USSR continues to impose tight security restrictions on operational flight data.

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3. The Soviets will provide some retrospective samplings of inflight and pre-post flight biomedical data. They probably will not reveal names and medical data of cosmonauts before they have flown. Inflight data probably will not reveal any major negative aspects of the flight experience. Rather than detailed, timelined environmental parameters, the Soviets probably will supply broad averages which will not reflect emergency periods or life support/environmental control problems.

4. Past experience has demonstrated that the Soviets will attempt to receive more than they give in all aspects of these negotiations. Greatest cooperation may be expected in matters related to rescue of man during or after spaceflight. Also, the Soviets are eager to place their specialists in NASA biomedical research laboratories that deal with key problems of prolonged spaceflight. From the U.S. standpoint, it would be of matching benefit to place NASA biomedical

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